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## **PART 912—INFORMATION REGARDING MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD**

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### **§ 912.1 Definitions.**

As used in this part:

*Board Director* or *Director* means a member of the Board of Directors.

*Chairperson* includes the Acting Chairperson.

*Meeting* means any deliberations of three or more Directors of the Board of Directors, that determines or results in the joint conduct or disposition of official Finance Board business, but does not include:

(1) Discussions to determine whether meetings will be open or closed or whether information pertaining to closed meetings will be disclosed;

(2) Discussions to determine whether to schedule a meeting with less than seven days notice, or to change the time, place or subject matter of a scheduled meeting; and

(3) Disposition of Finance Board business by circulation of written materials on proposed actions to individual Directors for proposed actions, and notational voting by the individual Directors on such proposed actions.

*Public observation* means the right of the general public to attend open meetings of the Board of Directors, but does not include the right to participate therein unless invited to do so by the Chairperson.

*Secretary to the Board* includes the Acting Secretary if the position of Secretary is vacant.

*Sunshine Act* means the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b).

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### **§ 912.2 Purpose and scope.**

(a) This part is issued by the Finance Board pursuant to the Sunshine Act, which requires Federal agencies, headed by collegial bodies, to promulgate regulations to implement its provisions. The purpose of these regulations is to provide the public with access to information regarding the decision-making processes of the Board of Directors of the Finance Board, while protecting the privacy rights of individuals and the ability of the Board of Directors to carry out its responsibilities.

(b) The Board of Directors shall not jointly conduct or dispose of official Finance Board business other than in accordance with this part.

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### **§ 912.3 Open meetings.**

(a) Except as provided in § 912.4, every portion of every meeting of the Board of Directors shall be open to public observation.

(b) Unless otherwise specified in the public notice, open meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held in the Board Room of the Finance Board at 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC, at the time specified in the public notice.

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### **§ 912.4 Closed meetings.**

(a) The Board of Directors may close a meeting, or portion thereof, to public observation, or withhold information from the public pertaining to a meeting, when it determines that opening the meeting, or a portion thereof, or the public disclosure of information pertaining to such meeting, or portion thereof, is likely to:

(1) Disclose matters that are: